



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 003, SERIES OF 2022

AN ORDER DECLARING AN ACADEMIC HEALTH BREAK IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 26 TO FEBRUARY 9, 2022

WHEREAS, in view of the recent surge of COVID-19 cases, the entire Province of Sorsogon was placed under Alert Level 3 from January 16 – 31, 2022 as per Resolution No. 157A of the Inter – Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases;

WHEREAS, the City of Sorsogon documented three hundred forty (340) positive COVID-19 cases for the period of January 1 - 19, 2022 thereby recording an average rate of eighteen (18) cases per day;

WHEREAS, the City Government issued Executive Order No. 001, dated January 14, 2022 *“Declaring Modified Safety Protocols Consonant with the IATF Guidelines under Alert Level 3 in the City of Sorsogon”* wherein restrictions on the operations of establishments, government offices and various activities as well as the continuing implementation of Minimum Public Health Standards were reiterated;

WHEREAS, despite these precautions, the number of positive COVID-19 cases continue to rise, thus, the Local IATF convened and recommended additional guidelines to abate the spread of COVID-19 in the City of Sorsogon;

WHEREAS, one of the reasons why people need to leave their homes is for education purposes, this prompted the Local IATF to recommended a two – week academic break in the City of Sorsogon in order to avoid the further transmission of the virus among students and academic workers, more specifically the current variant of concern;

WHEREAS, since the safety of our students, educators and the general public is our paramount concern, the City Government decided to adopt the recommendations of the Local IATF for implementation within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Sorsogon;

NOW, THEREFORE, I. MA. ESTER E. HAMOR, Mayor of the City of Sorsogon, by the powers vested in me by law do hereby declare an Academic Health Break in the City of Sorsogon, as follows:

SECTION 1. ACADEMIC BREAK. There shall be an academic break in the City of Sorsogon from January 26 to February 9, 2022.

SECTION 2. MODULE DISTRIBUTION AND RETRIEVAL. The distribution and retrieval of modules shall be likewise be suspended on the above stated period. Teachers and other school personnel are discouraged from reporting in schools and shall not be allowed to distribute modules in barangays.

Pupils and students are advised to stay in the safety of their homes for the entire academic break. Group projects and activities shall be suspended and the directive that persons below eighteen (18) shall not be allowed in public places except for essential and work purposes is reiterated.

SECTION 3. WORK FROM HOME SCHEME FOR TEACHERS AND OTHER SCHOOL PERSONNEL. Teachers and other school personnel are advised to coordinate with their respective Principals, Department Heads and the Office of the City Schools Division Superintendent relative to their Work from Home assignments in order to ensure that Learning Action Plan, preparation of modules and other relevant activities remain unhampered.

SECTION 4. DISINFECTION OF SCHOOLS. School Heads are advised to coordinate with the Barangay Council and/or the City Government to facilitate the disinfection of classrooms and other school facilities before the resumption of classes.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. Laws, legal orders, rules and regulations that have been issued or will be issued by the IATF and competent authorities in the Philippines are hereby incorporated herein and made an integral part hereof.

In case of conflict, such laws, legal orders, rules, regulations and subsequent issuances of the IATF shall prevail over the provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect on January 26 until the 9th of February, 2022.

DONE this 21st day of January, 2022 at Sorsogon City, Philippines.


MA. ESTER E. HAMOR
City Mayor